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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, APRIL 27TH 1909.

**SPEAKING** at the Annual Meeting of the  
Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce,  
The Chairman, Mr. W. D. LITTLE, made the  
following remarks on the present condition  
of the Currency and the over-issue of notes  
and subsidiary coinage, which amply bear  
out our own remarks on the extremely  
dangerous position into which, under pre-  
text of Reform, the whole subject has been  
permitted to drift:

I may perhaps be permitted to refer briefly  
to Currency reform; this deeply interesting  
question has had your Committee's earnest  
attention and continues to do so. The Chinese  
Government would appear desirous to move in  
the matter, but seem unable to command the  
provincial authorities. Coins are minted with-  
out uniform system, and notes issued without  
adequate protection, or any effective control  
from the Central Power. Meanwhile a con-  
tinual flow of paper reforms are published in the  
*Peking Gazette*. Mr. A. M. Marshall visited  
the Capital last year, and recently Mr. F.  
Anderson, both members of our Committee.  
To these gentlemen our thanks are due for  
placing our views as to the seriousness of the  
situation before the Diplomatic Body. I have  
received from Mr. Anderson a copy of a  
letter dated the 9th instant, which he addressed  
to the Doyen. It is as follows: "It will be seen  
from the figures quoted that the depreciation of  
copper 10-cash pieces is becoming more serious  
almost every month. When these coins were  
first issued they circulated at par, though  
intrinsically worth only about 50 per cent of  
their face value. Excessive supplies brought  
down, and of late the profit on minting  
has disappeared. Debased coins of a lower  
value are now being issued, which circulate  
at a steadily increasing discount. The con-  
tinuous depreciation of the money of the

Empire adversely affects many millions of people  
throughout the Empire. The Chamber has also  
requested me to bring the question of Bank-note  
issues before Your Excellency. We are aware  
that in answer to your former representations on  
the subject, the Chinese Government has  
intimated that the subject is under consideration.  
The Chamber would, however, respectfully point  
out that the delay in taking effective measures to  
deal with this important question must  
inevitably increase the difficulties and dangers of  
the financial situation. We fear that unless  
sound measures are taken to regulate the issue,  
both of bank-notes and copper-cash, a financial  
crisis if not a panic will be brought about,  
and the consequences of which will be far-reaching  
and not improbably disastrous. The Chamber there-  
fore begs of Your Excellency to urge upon the  
highest Authorities of the Empire the im-  
portance of taking effective steps to deal with  
these questions with as little delay as possible;  
and that as a temporary measure, the further  
issues of bank-notes and copper cash should be  
immediately suspended.

Now, not the least curious of this very  
curious tale remains behind. For reasons of  
its own Peking has been rather over-anxious  
to throw the entire blame of the wholesale  
debauchery of the currency back on the  
Provinces; in its affected purity of inten-  
tion—which for a considerable time did,  
there is no doubt, succeed in bamboozling  
the financial world—it had been, it assured  
the Representatives of the Powers at Peking,  
engaged in the work of reforming the  
Currency, and had given its instructions  
accordingly to the provincial authorities;  
but those wicked Provincials had made the  
whole affair a matter of private gain, and  
had disarranged its best endeavours for the  
financial regeneration of the Empire! As  
a field for exploitation the financial world  
had, in fact, not yet given up China; there  
were scores of possibilities yet available for  
gouging an innocent public, and it was not  
convenient that too much light should be  
thrown on the dealings of the late EMPRESS  
DOWAGER and her worthy minion the "false"  
Eunuch TI LIENYING. The new REGENT  
it was who first raised a corner of the veil.  
Finding an impoverished E. exchequer, and a  
deceased ex-REGENT to be buried, the happy  
thought struck him to make the deceased's  
estate bear the burden. The new EMPRESS  
DOWAGER, within whose Department came  
the funeral rites to her late husband, and  
who tears no goodwill to wards the memory  
of the woman whom she looks upon as the  
murderer of her lord, was not backward in  
taking the hint; and an investigation into  
the secret hoard of the late amiable DOWAGER  
has been the result, and throws a lurid  
light on the methods of the late Regency.  
At the beginning of his little struggle with  
Japan, it may be remembered, the TSAR of  
Russia invited certain intimate friends to  
have a glance within his own private  
treasury, and the friend related with  
evident mouth-watering the numberless  
shelves, all piled with boxes said to be full  
of the yellow metal, which were disclosed to  
his view. Not much less than the alleged,  
but uncounted store of the TSAR, has been  
found the accumulated squandrels of the  
late DOWAGER, accumulated be it remem-  
bered during a period of more than  
ordinarily advertised poverty. The result  
in round numbers is reckoned at nineteen  
million taels of gold, and nine hundred and  
ninety million taels of silver,—which turned  
into sterling at the exchange of the day  
would be the equivalent of some two  
hundred and sixteen million pounds sterling!  
or within twenty millions of one-third  
of the accumulated national debt of Great  
Britain. Two hundred and sixteen millions  
sterling; and withal not enough to  
pay her own funeral expenses! Such was  
the financial position of the Chinese Empire  
as represented by the friends and admirers  
of the late Regency.

Now, of course, speculations on such a  
magnificent scale would have been impossible  
without confederates, and the late Dowager's  
share of the swag only represents one,  
though possibly the largest, share in the  
plundering that has been keeping the Im-  
perial finances of China on the grindstone  
for the last forty years. People whose  
memories are long enough will remember  
how on the outbreak of the Japan war, some  
fifteen years ago, the fleet was provided  
through the acquisitive instincts of the  
DOWAGER and her then henchman LI HUNG  
CHANG with shells loaded with coal-dust, and  
paper crews to fire them. Naturally with  
the loss of Formosa, and practically of  
Shengking and Manchuria, that game came  
to an end, but reform of the Currency came  
to supply the waning gnat. The new scheme  
indicated no want of financial talent;—  
indeed could not have presented itself to  
anyone except one thoroughly skilled in the  
art. The Provinces were to be given the  
hint of how much profit they could make  
out of the issue of a "reformed" cash cur-  
rency; everyone knew how defective was  
the old, and how short was the actual stock  
in hand. If they got out machinery and  
turned out to a uniform pattern new copper  
pieces, they could make a profit of fifty per  
cent, and for a consideration Peking was pre-  
pared to grant the necessary authorisation;  
this was important, as at the same time  
profit could be made, and the Foreign  
Powers who were pressing for improved  
currency could be hoodwinked.

The scheme succeeded beyond the most  
sanguine hopes of its proposer; so well in-  
deed that the DOWAGER began to think that  
with all her cleverness, she had let the  
provinces in for quite too good a thing.  
Some limits had been spoken of in the first  
instance, there might be good enough for  
the Provinces; but the DOWAGER was not  
going to hamper herself, so provided that  
the extra money came in quick no questions  
would be asked. Of course, in China there  
is no account taken of these things, and  
care is taken to obliterate all traces; but of  
one thing there is no doubt, and that is that  
the debased cash coinage has formed no  
inconsiderable portion of the little hoard of  
the 216 millions—how much neither we nor  
anyone else will ever know. But if the  
lion's share of the swag went to the DOW-  
AGER, there is no little doubt that a sufficient  
share to satisfy the most exacting went to  
the confederates in the game. Doubtless  
with her peculiar talent of acquisitiveness  
much of this went back as hush-money to the  
DOWAGER herself; but there must have been  
much shroffage on the way, and though a  
few have been made to discharge, there are  
yet a few millions to be had in certain slums  
in or about the capital which it would be  
quite feasible to enquire about. And herein  
lies the great obstacle in the path of any  
possible reform. Everyone who has touched  
the filthy lucre has de facto a personal in-  
terest in concealing the traces of the crime,  
and finds himself ranged on the side of  
obstruction. Even the representatives of  
the Powers who had it in their power to see  
these things, but preferred in the face of  
their own particular schemes to keep their  
eyes closed, would under the new conditions  
not altogether care to be reminded of their  
shamefacedness; so that altogether Peking is  
wrapped up in a conspiracy of silence. And  
if the case be so with the debased coinage  
which has already descended to the altars of  
the professional coiner, how much more  
so may it be expected to be with regard to  
the banks which have been more recently flood-  
ing the market with their notes? Peking  
has already had time to have these under  
"discussion," and there is little reason to  
doubt with the usual result. The banks  
have already had time to follow the im-  
mortal custom of greasing the hand that has  
the power to hinder them; the rest has  
followed the usual routine of human nature,  
and Chinese human nature in particular, and  
Peking has anticipated its share of the hoped-  
for plunder, and stands committed in  
advance.

Chambers of Commerce and Bank Directors  
may beat out their brains against the  
iron bars of the inevitable, but the founda-  
tions of corruption in China are too deeply  
laid, and the superedifices too strongly built  
for it to be upset for many a generation  
yet—till in effect a people by no means de-  
void of astuteness has come to learn the  
practical lesson that national dishonesty,  
any more than personal dishonesty, does not  
pay.

The present pupils of Queen's College have  
subscribed \$250 towards the proposed memorial  
to Dr. Wright, their former Head Master.

It is reported that Mr. C. W. Kinder, the  
general manager of the Imperial Chinese  
Railways, will be employed in London as  
Adviser on Loans at a salary of £1,000 per  
annum.—The Times.

A Japanese naval training squadron, consist-  
ing of the cruisers *Aso* (formerly the *Bayan*)  
and *Soyo* (formerly the *Variag*), with a number  
of naval cadets on board will visit Esquimaux,  
Vancouver, from May 12 to May 22.

The Hungarian clerk whose extradition is  
sought by the Government of the Netherlands-  
Indies to answer a charge of embezzling seven  
thousand guilders, was again placed before Mr.  
J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday and  
remanded for a week.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial  
and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge  
with thanks, the following donations to the funds  
of the Hospitals:—  
O. Kitchell ..... 325  
Mrs. Ma Pu ..... 20

The return of visitors to the City Hall Library  
and Museum for the week ending the 25th  
April, 1909, shows that of non-Chinese there  
were 414 to the Library and 217 to the Museum,  
and of Chinese 126 to the former and 2,428 to  
the latter. The Library was, therefore, used by  
540 persons and the Museum by 2,645.

Before Mr. F. A. Hazell at the Magistracy  
yesterday three bootmen were charged with  
assaulting a fourth. After hearing the evidence  
his Worship bound all the parties over in the  
sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for twelve  
months. The complainant asked his Worship  
to extend the time, to three years, but the  
Magistrate considered that twelve months would  
meet the case.

The harbour at Shantian has of late been  
disturbed by the cries of night hawks. The  
police have taken note of complaints against  
these people, and yesterday Inspector Collett  
placed five boatmen before Mr. F. A. Hazell  
at the Magistracy on charges of having  
unlicensed boats and having without licences.  
They were found guilty and ordered to pay a  
fine of \$6 apiece, \$3 on each charge.

The Hippodrome Circus and Menagerie arrived  
safely by the mail steamer *Oceanic* yesterday,  
after a most successful stay in Saigon. The  
opening night in Hongkong is indefinitely fixed for  
to-morrow, at 9 p.m. We understand that  
arrangements have been made for a special tram  
service to and from the Circus.

The Hongkong Daily Press Cup will be  
presented to the Hongkong Football League's  
afternoon at the Y.M.C.A. rooms, and after-  
wards by Mr. B. A. Hale, on behalf of  
the League, to the Bulls, who have secured the  
premier position in the League. The Royal  
Engineers are the runners up.

Mr. J. S. Dobie, the Hongkong Agent of the  
Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd.,  
informs us that he is in receipt of advice  
that the total output of the Company's three  
mines for the week ending 10th April amounted  
to 28,746.31 tons, and the sales during the period  
to 25,668.39 tons.

An Extraordinary Embassy, headed by  
General Palitzyn, a member of the Council of  
the Empire, was to leave St. Petersburg in the  
middle of April for Peking, in order to attend  
on May 1 the ceremony of the formal translation  
of the body of the late Emperor of China to the  
mausoleum, which has been erected for it.

The number of cases of plague notified in  
the colony since January 1st reached 40 yester-  
day, when two cases were reported from Yuenai.  
Last week's total was five, three being fatal. Of  
the forty cases, thirty-two have proved fatal.  
The returns of communicable disease for the  
past week show besides the plague cases, three  
of enteric fever, two of these being Europeans  
"imported." There were also two cases of  
puerperal fever and one of small-pox.

A native who has disobeyed four orders of  
banishment was charged before Mr. J. H.  
Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday with re-  
turning from exile, and with attempting to  
break from a cell in which he was placed at the  
Central Police Station. He was found guilty  
on both counts, sentenced to ten months' im-  
prisonment and four hours' stocks on the first,  
and fined \$25, in default six weeks' im-  
prisonment, on the second.

Replying to a question put to him in the  
House of Commons Mr. Buchanan said it was  
decided in 1906, on grounds of general policy,  
that it was inexpedient to ask the Tibetan  
Government for facilities for British explorers  
in Tibet. The notes appended to the Anglo-  
Tibetan Convention were in accordance with  
the policy of that decision. The only applica-  
tion received by the Secretary of State since the  
date of the Convention was necessarily refused.

A ticket seller employed by the Star Ferry  
Co. was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazell at the  
Magistracy yesterday with stealing an  
Indian's purse, which contained a number of  
Hongkong notes and some sovereigns. The  
story told by the complainant was that in a  
rush to catch a ferry he left his purse in front  
of defendant's window. He only realised his  
loss after the ferry had pushed off, and then  
observed the defendant pick up his purse. He  
returned to the Hongkong shore by the next  
boat and claimed his valuables, but the defendant  
denied all knowledge of the purse. After  
hearing the evidence his Worship discharged  
the defendant.

Mr. H. W. Kilby of the International Bank  
who has been for several years stationed at  
Yokohama has been transferred to Hongkong  
and is due here in a few days. The *Japan*  
*Gazette* referring to the transfer says:—Mr.  
Kilby has for several years been actively  
identified with several public organisations in  
Yokohama. For two years he commanded the  
local Company of the Boys' Brigade after the  
departure from the post of Mr. L. D. Tebb.  
Mr. Kilby has for some years taken an active  
part in cricket, being one of the most energetic  
and enthusiastic members of the Y.C. & A. C.,  
and only a month ago was elected to the Com-  
mittee as captain of cricket for the ensuing  
year. At the present time he holds the post of  
Honorary Treasurer of the Yokohama and  
Tokyo branch of the Royal Society of St.  
George. One of Yokohama's "boys" Mr.  
Kilby has been closely identified with several  
public organisations of the port during the past  
few years, and on his departure for Hongkong  
will carry with him the hearty good wishes  
of many friends for future success in his profes-  
sional career.

The rise in Langkats which took place last  
Monday caused considerable sensation on the  
Stock Exchange at Shanghai and generally  
throughout the community, the *Mercury* says.  
They jumped from Ts 920 cash on Saturday  
the 18th inst to Ts 1160. All manner of  
rumours gained currency regarding the reason  
for the extraordinary advance, and without ex-  
pressing any views as to their accuracy our  
contemporary mentions that widest of the lot  
is that diamonds have been discovered on the  
Langkat estate, but the one which seems to  
have gained greatest currency is that the last  
find of oil has turned out much better than was  
anticipated. Another rumour is that the  
Standard Oil Co. is making negotiations for the  
purchase of the company. Apart from these  
stories the belief is general that the jump  
is a consequence of speculation on Exchange.  
In Messrs. Erich, Georg and Co.'s share report  
published on Saturday it is mentioned that  
the directors of the Langkat Company state  
that, according to a telegram received from  
Langkat, hole No. 94, on the Darat fields has  
been opened up and proves to be an exception-  
ally productive well. "Further information  
regarding this matter will be issued to share-  
holders by circular as soon as possible."

## TELEGRAMS.

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## THE WAR IN TURKEY.

## THE DEFEAT OF THE LOYALISTS.

LONDON, April 25th.

It appears that operations began  
on Sunday night (the 19th inst), the  
Constitutionalists occupying the  
heights around Yildiz and opening  
fire at five o'clock the following  
morning.

They encountered little resistance  
until they approached Tashishla and  
Taxim, which the Loyalists obstinately  
held.

The battle raged for three hours  
around Taxim, and there was hand-  
to-hand fighting. Finally the place  
was captured.

The number of killed at Taxim  
alone is reported to be a thousand.

The Garrison at Yildiz surrendered  
and laid down their arms. A portion  
of the Garrison had previously crossed  
to Scutari, making for Selimieh bar-  
racks, which the Loyalists still hold,  
and against which a strong force of  
the Salonikan troops have been dis-  
patched.

No mention is made of the Sultan,  
but it is reported that torpedo des-  
troyers are patrolling the Bosphorus  
to prevent him escaping to Scutari.

LONDON, April 26th.

The occupants of Selimieh Barracks,  
to the number of four thousand, sur-  
rendered to overwhelming odds. The  
whole city of Constantinople is now in  
the hands of the Constitutionalists.

The Sultan, who has remained cool  
and collected throughout, promises not  
to leave the Yildiz.

## AFFAIRS IN PERSIA.

LONDON, April 26th.

The Shah has consented to an in-  
definite prolongation of the armistice  
at Tabriz. The Shah and the Con-  
stitutionalists are equally dismayed at  
the prospect of the armed intervention  
of Russia.

A Reuter's message from Tehran  
states that two thousand Russian  
troops with two batteries of artillery  
are starting from Tiflis and marching  
towards Tabriz.

## BULGARIA'S INDEPENDENCE.

LONDON, April 26th.

Great Britain, France and Russia  
have now recognised the kingdom of  
Bulgaria.

## STEAMER ASHORE AT LINTIN.

Early yesterday morning the Hamburg-  
America Line's steamer *Scandia*, inward bound  
from Europe, grounded at the southern end of  
Lintin, about 20 miles from Hongkong, during  
the fog. The second officer came ashore and  
reported the matter at the office, and subsequently  
the tug *David Gillies* and several lighters went  
out to her assistance.

The Japanese steamer *Sosho-maru* also  
reported the accident, the *Scandia* having  
signalled her to do so. Captain Sugii, of the  
*Sosho*, states that the shore thenceabouts is "all  
rock," and he thinks the ship would be heavily  
damaged.

THE WARD COMEDY COMPANY  
FAREWELL.

The crowded house at the Theatre last night  
when the Ward Comedy Co. gave their farewell  
performance was the best possible testimony  
of the high opinion the Hongkong public has  
formed of the Company during their fortnight's  
stay in the Colony. The programme last night  
embraced vaudeville and dramatic items, with a  
number of capital songs interspersed, and alto-  
gether afforded an excellent entertainment, and a  
fitting termination of a most successful season.

The "Scarecrow," a fantastic sketch based on  
the Comedy "The New Clown" was a much  
appreciated item, the make-up of Mr. Ward  
of the scarecrow being excellent. Part II  
of the programme was entirely of a vocal  
character, its principal feature being Miss  
Grace Palotta's singing of "O Listen to the  
Band," which met with a tremendous ovation.  
After being twice recalled Miss Palotta was  
presented with two bouquets of flowers.  
The concluding item of the programme was a  
one-act drama called "The Vagabond," and as  
the curtain fell for the last time there was such  
a demonstration as could have left no doubt in  
the minds of the Company that their stay in  
Hongkong had been greatly enjoyed.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CONDITION OF SHELLEY  
STREET.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG  
DAILY PRESS"]

Hongkong, 25th April 1909.

SIR,—Several complaints have been made with  
regard to obstruction or nuisances in some  
streets of the Colony, and the authorities have  
readily taken due notice of them; but the  
repeated representations made in the local press  
about the dangerous and disgraceful state of  
Shelley Street have apparently been ignored.  
In rainy days how often have children frequent-  
ing the Anglo-Portuguese Schools and the  
Italian Convent had somnambulism fall through the  
steepness and slippery character of this street  
from the Mosque down to the Lusitano Club?  
This is one of the oldest streets in the colony and  
what it requires is that "interlocaled" steps be  
made to mitigate its steepness, or at least  
that the large worn-out stones that cover the  
pavement shall be replaced. Anyhow something  
should be done at once for the convenience and  
safety of the many who pass up and down this  
thoroughfare. Thanking you for the insertion  
of this letter—Yours, &c.

PEDESTRIAN.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

## MINUTE BY THE GOVERNOR.

The following minute has been addressed by  
H. E. the Governor to "the principal employers  
and others":

It is my earnest desire that the Hongkong  
Volunteer Corps should both by its numbers  
and by its efficiency be worthy to rank as an  
integral part of the defensive force of this  
Colony.

With regard to numbers the total strength  
stands at only 235, and I take this opportunity  
of appealing to the leading British citizens in  
this Colony to do their utmost both directly as  
regards themselves and their employees and  
indirectly by their influence and the weight of  
their opinion to endeavour to increase this  
number to a figure more in proportion to the  
British manhood of the Colony. I hope that  
steps recently taken may result in an increase  
of the number of Government Officials who  
are Volunteers.

As regards efficiency, it has been my aim since  
I have been in Hongkong to secure for the  
Hongkong Volunteer Corps a recognised place  
in the scheme of defence of the Colony to  
impress upon the Community that the Corps  
exists for a serious purpose, involving sacrifices  
of no small extent, both upon the individuals  
composing it and upon their employers.

The exigencies of the time demand a real  
sacrifice, and I am myself inclined to deprecate  
the multiplication of artificial incentives to  
effort in the shape of Cups and Prizes. A  
limited number of expert marksmen is not  
sufficient; we require in addition a body of  
serious men imbued with the vital necessity of  
defending this place on the outbreak of war  
and efficiently trained by a prolonged sacrifice  
of well-earned leisure in peace time, so that  
they may take their place in the fighting  
ranks when necessity may arise. We are all  
aware that in modern conditions but little  
time for preparation will be allowed when the  
crisis comes, and that the crisis itself will  
in all probability be sudden and unexpected.  
Those who have most stake in the Colony will  
be those who will lose most in case of a raid by  
hostile forces, and it is a measure of self-interest  
to do all that is possible to strengthen the  
defences.

In his report upon the Volunteer Corps for  
1908-1909 the General Officer Commanding re-  
marks as follows:—

"I recommend that future camps should be  
held in the New Territories for a week or  
eight days, and that endeavours should be  
made to get employers to allow men to be  
present continuously for at least three or four  
days of that time. If such a camp were run  
on lines which bore some resemblance to  
service conditions an economy could be effected  
and the training improved."

Upon this the Commandant of the Corps  
observes:—

"Since the last camp I have been consider-  
ing the possibilities of holding future camps  
in the New Territories, and see no insuperable  
obstacle other than the difficulty of members  
obtaining sufficient leave from their employ-  
ment to enable them to attend the camp for  
a useful period. It is hardly to be expected  
that firms in a place like Hongkong could  
follow, to the full extent, the patriotic  
example of a large number of home firms who  
are giving Volunteers three weeks' leave each  
year to attend camp; but I see no reason  
why they should not follow this example to an  
modified extent, and am of opinion that an  
appeal from His Excellency the Govern-  
or to the various firms pointing  
out the vital importance to the Colony of  
an efficient and sufficient Volunteer Force  
would result in their being able to spare a  
portion of their Volunteer employees for half  
the week at a time. It would be impossible to  
hold the camp in the New Territories if the  
men had to return to their business in Hong-  
kong during the day."

I appeal to you to render this proposal practi-  
cable by granting the requisite facilities to those  
in your employ, and I appeal to you also once  
more to do all in your power to increase the  
numbers of the Corps.

F. D. LUGARD,

Governor, &amp;c.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1909.

The Emperor of Japan, anxious to display  
his gratitude for the attention extended to  
Prince Naishino of Japan during the year  
which the latter has spent in France completing  
his military training, directed the Japanese  
Ambassador in Paris to present the President  
of the Republic with a collection of gold lacquer  
boxes ornamented with his Majesty's coat-of-  
arms. Baron Kurino, the Japanese Ambassa-  
dor, has presented the boxes to President  
Fallieres, who appeared very much touched with  
the Emperor's attention. The Ambassador also  
called on the Minister for Foreign Affairs and  
the Emperor presented each with a gold lacquer  
box mounted with his Majesty's arms.



## SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 26th April.

## IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

## BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR F. PIGOTT).

## REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.

An application was submitted by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Messrs Deacon, Looker and Deacon, on behalf of Langfield and Co., Ltd., Yokohama, who petitioned for confirmation by the Court of a resolution for the reduction of the capital of the company.

Sir Henry Berkeley said the special resolution to reduce the capital was passed on December 9th, 1908, and confirmed on the 29th of that month. The resolution was "That the capital of the company be reduced from yen 150,000 divided into 1,500 shares of yen 100 each to yen 100,000 divided into 2,000 shares of yen 50 each, and that such reduction be effected by redeeming 500 shares of the issued shares of the company, and returning to the holders thereof as the price of such redemption, such sum (not exceeding the paid-up value of the said shares) as may be agreed upon between the directors and the owners of the shares to be redeemed. And by subdividing the remaining 1,000 shares yen 100 each into 2,000 shares of yen 50 each." All his Lordship's wishes had been complied with, but there was the remaining question as to dispensing with the words "and reduced." In a recent case which he brought before his Lordship, the case of the Wei-hai-wei Land Company, his Lordship fixed a fortnight or a month.

His Lordship—You can take the same order as in that case.

Sir Henry—Thank you, my Lord.

His Lordship—I see there are five creditors not paid.

Sir Henry—They are consenting, my Lord.

The application was granted.

## A NEW BARRISTER.

Sir Henry Berkeley, before the business of the Court was commenced, said he had much pleasure in presenting to his Lordship Mr. Challenger Alabaster, who was called to the Bar of the Inner Temple some five years ago. The certificate had been lodged with the Registrar and all the papers were in order. Therefore he moved that his Lordship approve and admit Mr. Alabaster to practice at the Bar of this colony.

His Lordship—Mr. Alabaster, it gives me very much pleasure in admitting you to practise before this Court. I am sure to you it seems almost like coming home, and I dare say many of the older practitioners of this Court know your name quite well. I am sure they will join with me in wishing that you have come to stay and that you will make your home amongst us.

Mr. Challenger—Thank you, my Lord.

THE LATE MR. THOMSON.

The Chief Justice—This is the first time on which this Court has met since the death of our friend, Mr. C. D. Thomson, and I am only very sorry that I did not intimate to the practitioners in this Court that it was my desire to say a few words. On behalf of the Court, the solicitors and the whole of the members of the profession, I am sure I am right in saying that we join in expressing our deepest sympathy with his widow, and deeply regret that Mr. Thomson has passed away from us.

Sir Henry Berkeley—The Bar and the profession generally echo the sentiments which have fallen from your Lordship of condolence and sympathy with the widow.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

## BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GONPERTZ (PUNISH JUDGE).

## A HOTEL RUNNER'S CLAIM.

The action was continued in which William Henry Brown claimed \$257.75, being as to salary \$60, (\$29.75 as to commission, and \$165 for wrongful dismissal, from Messrs. Dorabjee and Co., proprietors of the King Edward Hotel, Mr. Otto Kung Sing appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Daniel for the defendants.

Mr. A. Gas, recalled, said to his knowledge the hotel never accepted as guest a woman known to belong to the unfortunate class. If the plaintiff brought a woman of that class to the hotel and did not acquaint the manager of her status he would not be doing his duty.

Cross-examined—He had been manager for nine months. He knew a Mrs. Davis, but he did not know she belonged to the unfortunate class. There were often cases of that kind, but not knowing them such women were accepted as guests. Plaintiff never brought women there as lodgers.

The coxswain of the King Edward launch stated that plaintiff used the launch a little for other than hotel purposes; say once or twice a month. On one occasion he took out three ladies, one of whom plaintiff said was his sweetheart, to the American men-of-war in the harbour. Witness complained that the coal was placed under his care and he did not like the launch to be used for private purposes.

Cross-examined—He did not complain to the hotel. The master learned of it afterwards. Mr. Brown did not pay him for the coal he used on those occasions. On one occasion he gave witness \$2, but that was cash on hand. That was not sufficient to pay for the coal used.

Plaintiff, recalled, said the first intimation he had that his services were not appreciated by Mr. Dorabjee was when he received a lawyer's letter. He had an interview with Mr. Dorabjee in the presence of a clerk. Mr. Dorabjee said "I hear you have a man in your room?" Witness replied "I have." "Well," said Mr. Dorabjee "you can keep him there as long as you like but you will have to pay for him." Mr. Dorabjee said nothing then about his dismissal. On the day of his dismissal he had a conversation with Mr. Anderson, the barman, to whom he mentioned that a circus agent was staying in the hotel; Anderson got in a temper and said he could not

stop there at \$5 a day. Witness said the office had given him that rate.

Mr. Daniel objected to the evidence.

Mr. Otto Kung Sing said it showed there was a quarrel which might have accounted for his dismissal.

Plaintiff said his friend Lewis stayed in his room for seven days. He added that he had signed chits for some guests, but not for others.

By his Lordship—With regard to the box which had been lost for three days, he was told that if he wished to keep his position he would have to pay \$25 a month until the value of the box was made up. When it was lost he agreed to do so, but subsequently the box was found.

In February he was asked by the manager to pay half the expenses of the inquiries and nothing more would be said.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said there was no allegation by the defendants that the plaintiff had misconducted himself or had been the worse of drink in his services. Taking the ladies out in the launch was conduct which his Lordship thought did not show sufficient consideration for the interests of his employers and that would have been a ground of dismissal.

The plaintiff failed in his claim for damages. His Lordship entered judgment for the defendants on the counter claim for \$38.85 the amount of chits, and for \$5 the expense incurred by the hotel through plaintiff's friend having stayed in his room, while plaintiff obtained judgment for \$60.

## HONGKONG SCHOOLS ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Yesterday was a gala day with the school children of the Colony, the annual athletic sports meeting of the combined schools being held on the race course, kindly lent by the committee of the Jockey Club for the occasion. The weather was a trifle on the warm side, but it was no doubt the inviting day which accounted for the very large attendance. There was a big programme to be carried through, and as there were numerous entrants in all events, the committee were kept busy throughout the day. Music was supplied by the band of the 13th Rajputs under the baton of Bandmaster Coko. The gold medal presented for the champion athlete of the meeting was won by H.E. Markar.

The Stewards and Committees were under—

Stewards: Messrs. F. A. Hazeland, C. A. D. Melbourne, The Hon. W. Rees-Davies, Messrs. W. D. Brailwood, G. Piercy, Rev. E. Croft, Christian, The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Messrs. Fung Wa Chan, Lau Cha Pak, Ho Kong Tong and Ho Tung.

General Committee: Messrs. R. C. Barlow, A. O. Brown, A. W. Grant, G. P. de Martin, H. L. O. Garrett, A. R. Sutherland, R. H. Harbeck, A. H. Crook, B. Tanner, S. R. Moore, W. H. Williams, Rev. E. Cyprian, A. Morris, W. Curwen, W. H. Virasah, P. Currie, and V. Sykes.

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Hon. Treasurer: Mr. R. C. Barlow.

Hon. Secretaries: Messrs. R. C. Barlow and A. O. Brown.

Results of events follow:—

LONG JUMP. (Boys under 17). Championship event.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; H. E. Markar, 2; R. T. Ramjahn, 3. Distance, 19½ feet.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For boys over ten and under fourteen years of age.

E. Castro, 1; Isidor Haas, 2; Wong Shan Nin, 3. Time—10½ secs.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Championship event, for boys under 17 years of age.

H. G. Markar, 1; Isidor Haas, 2; Ng Tat Ting, 3. Time—11 secs.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For boys under ten years of age.

F. Loureiro 1; R. Cieson, 2; J. Gutierrez, 3. Time—16.4-5 secs.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For Chinese boys of all ages.

Lo Chin-hoi, 1; Ng Tat-tung, 2; Kwok Shin-yan, 3. Time—54.2-5 secs.

ONE MILE BICYCLE RACE (HANDICAP). Open to all ages.

C. Soqueira, 1; Cheung U Pui, 2; A. Gutierrez, 3. Time—9-1½ secs.

HIGH JUMP. For boys over 15 and under 18 years of age. Championship event.

Tam Tai To, 1; Kwok Shin Yan, 2; Height, 4 ft 11½.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Open to all ages.

H. E. Markar, 1; Ng Tat-tung, 2; H. W. Peterson, 3. Time—26-3/5.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP). Championship event for boys under 17 years of age.

H. W. Peterson, 1; Yau Kam Fat, 2; Kwok Shin Yan, 3. Time—19 secs.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE for Chinese boys under 14 years of age.

Wong Shan Nin, 1; U Hang San, 2; Tsun, 3. Time—14½ secs.

HIGH JUMP. For boys under 15 years of age. Championship event.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; J. Rozario, 2; Height—4 ft 10½ inches.

10 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For girls under ten years of age.

Maria Loureiro, 1; Guimar Remedios, 2. Time—16-2/5 secs.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). For girls ten years of age and over.

Celeste Silva, 1; Mabel Sheffield, 2; Mabel Leslie, 3. Time—13-4/5 secs.

QUARTER MILE (HANDICAP) Championship Event. Challenge Cup. Open to all ages. Ellis

Kadoorie Challenge, cup to be won 3 years in succession to become the property of any boy. The Cup is to be kept in the custody of the school.

H. G. Markar, 1; Ng Tat Ting, 2; Lo Chin Hoi, 3. Time—5½ secs.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. (CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT). Open to all ages.

A. E. Jenkins, 1; Khushal Khan, 2; Luis Robat, 3. Distance 93 yards.

HALF MILE (Civil Service Challenge Cup). Championship Event. For boys under 17 years of age.

To be won three years in succession to become the property of any boy. Cup to be kept in the custody of the School.

H. G. Markar, 1; H. W. Peterson, 2; C. Lopes, 3. Time—2 min 20-4/5 secs.

SKIPPING RACE. 100 yards open to girls only.

Mariel Davey, 1; Mabel Leslie, 2; Celeste Silva, 3.

50 YARDS FLAT RACE. Open to all comers under seven years of age.

M. Sternberg, 1; At Agan, 2; G. Silva, 3.

50 YARDS FLAT RACE for Chinese boys 14 years of age and over.

Ng Tat Ting, 1; Lo Chin Hoi, 2; Wong Tso Ting, 3. Time—33 secs.

SEVEN FURLONG FLAT RACE (HANDICAP). Open to pupils only.

A. Ellis, 1; Y. A. Abbas, 2. Time—4 min, 10 secs.

THREE LEGGED RACE. Open to all ages.

Kwok Shin Yan and Tsang Shan Ho, 1; W. G. Williams and J. M. A. Remedios, 2. Time—15 secs.

SACK RACE. Open to all ages. J. M. Remedios, 1; C. Breitenfeldt, 2; J. Assensio, 3. Time—24 secs.

TWO MILE BICYCLE RACE. Open to past pupils only.

I. E. Chumut, 1; A. Carroll, 2. Time—6 min 23-2/5 secs.

QUARTER MILE. Open to Army, Navy and Police.

Lance-Corporal Andrews, Buffs, 1; Private Tester, Buffs, 2. Time—49-3/5 secs.

At the conclusion of the sport spectators and competitors assembled in the grandstand, where Mr. Brown asked Mrs. Lander to present the prizes.

HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP, before his wife proceeded with her task, congratulated the committee on the success of the meeting. On looking through the programme he found that there were over one thousand entries, one event bringing forward as many as 80 competitors. He thought this was a very good sign. Another glance at the programme showed him that as many as nine nationalities competed. This was another good sign, because it taught the different people to understand one another. His Lordship then called upon his wife to proceed with her task, the call being a signal for general applause.

Mrs. Lander distributed the prizes to successful competitors, and when the last prize was presented, was accorded three ringing cheers.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The German str. *Borneo* left Sandakan on the 21st inst. p.m., and may be expected here this morning.

The P. & O. str. *Delta* left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. at 10.30 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 28th inst. at about 6 p.m.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Anhui* left Shanghai on the 25th inst., and is due here on the 28th inst. The C.N. Co.'s str. *Kaiyong* will leave Hilo on the 29th inst., and is due here on the 3rd prox.

The I.G.M. str. *P. E. Friedrich* carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 7th inst., left Colombo on the 24th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 5th prox.

The Indo-China str. *Suisang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 8th prox.

The C.N. Co.'s str. *Changsha* will leave Sydney on the 15th May, and is due here on the 9th June.

The Ben Line str. *Benarty* from Antwerp, Middlesbrough and London, left Singapore on the 24th inst. for this port.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call at p.m. on the 22nd inst.

The I.G.M. str. *Derfflinger* which left here on the 22nd inst. at 3 a.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 25th inst. at 1 p.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Goben* which left here on the 24th inst. at noon, arrived at Singapore on the 25th inst. at 1 p.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Ceylon Maru* (American Line) left Moji for this port via Shanghai on the 25th inst., and is expected here on the 2nd prox.

The N.Y.K. str. *Myogaki Maru* (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Shanghai on the 24th inst., and is expected here on the 3rd prox.

The str. *Indramayo* left Shanghai on the 24th inst. afternoon, and is due here to-morrow p.m.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 26th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has risen in S.E. Japan, and fallen over the S.E. coast of China.

The anticyclonic area is still central over S.E. Japan, and pressure remains relatively low over Hongkong and China.

Moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (S.E. winds, moderate to strong, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

Formosa Channel (S.E. winds, moderate to strong, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka. (S.E. winds, moderate to strong, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. (S.E. winds, moderate to strong, fog at times.) Same as No. 1.

## THE JAPAN SUGAR COMPANY.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Tokyo, April 15th.

The papers are daily giving full particulars of the arrests made in connection with the failure of the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha, and there is now every indication that these responsible for the suspension of this prominent company will be brought to justice and punished as they deserve.

The revelations of the methods by which the directors of this company declared the usual 15 per cent per annum dividend, when in reality the company was in a disastrous condition, formed one of the New Year greetings for the Japanese investor, and since then a series of exposures have taken place. No proceedings, however, were taken by the public prosecutors and it was beginning to be feared that the criminals would be allowed to escape when action was suddenly initiated, and at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 11, the houses of several of the directors were searched and arrests made. The legal machinery, it appears, has been set in motion against the will of the authorities by a shareholder charging certain of the directors with the misappropriation of 850,000 yen. On this complaint the public prosecutors were compelled to take action, while it is generally believed the Government desired in view of the prominence of the company to effect an adjustment, if possible, without resort to the courts. One or two directors are now in prison awaiting trial, others are closely watched by the police and practically prisoners, while many other persons, former officials of the company and members of the Diet, supposed to have been bribed, are in the position of suspects liable to be sent to prison at any moment. These proceedings are taken on the evidence of documents seized at the offices of the company and at the private residences of those concerned in Tokyo and Osaka.

The charges against the accused are the most flagrant that can be conceived—falsifying entries in the books, bribing candidates for the Diet during the elections last year, borrowing the company's money with the company's shares as security, declaring dividends when some four million yen was due to the Customs for sugar duty; they are of such a nature that ultimate exposure becomes certain and can only be possible where corruption is widespread and the fear of the law reduced to a minimum. And the confidence in this respect of the fraudulent directors appears to be well founded, for, but for the independent and determined action of the prosecuting shareholder the iniquities of these directors would have been overlooked in the interest of the company's reputation and rehabilitation. They would be no longer connected with the company, but would be free men, neither socially nor legally punished, and at liberty to carry on their speculations probably to the ruin of shareholders less able to bear loss than the shareholders of the great sugar company.

The Japanese press hails the recent developments with the greatest satisfaction, and altogether it is a heartening sign for the future of Japan.

Japan credit that the press and public are taking such a determined stand on the side of justice. Perhaps it might be objected that this is only natural in the circumstances, but it is really creditable that the authorities of the law were undecided. But for the initiative of a shareholder it is probable that no action would ever have been taken with the object of punishing the directors for a breach of the laws. The Government, a creditor to the company in the sum of four million yen, was and is inclined to overlook the criminal aspect of the case with the object of re-establishing the company as a going concern and thus ultimately making good all loss. Here the authorities appear to be seriously at fault, for the natural effect of their policy would be the disastrous to the morality and credit of the Japanese, while severe punishment of the guilty will have a most wholesome effect of far greater value in the long run than anything to be saved by hushing matters up. In this connection it is interesting to note that foreign influence has apparently been at work in bringing matters to the present head. The sugar company was one of the gilt-edged investments, and foreigners were largely interested. Among the heavy shareholders, according to the press reports, is the British Ambassador at Tokyo and members of the Embassy, and it is alleged that Sir Claude MacDonald urged on the Premier the necessity of taking action against the directors for the good of Japan's credit. The Embassy has denied this report, but it is probably more than half true, if Sir Claude is a shareholder, for a man in a position of influence in the right direction from using his influence in the right direction in such extraordinary circumstances, although, technically, it might be a very undiplomatic thing to do.

All the facts reported up to date regarding the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha go to show the in the security of the shareholder in Japan under the present administration of the law, which in commercial matters is lax in the extreme. This is due to the nation's inexperience and also to the national temperament, but the remedy for the defects will be suggested by such examples of commercial mismanagement as that of the sugar company, providing the law is vindicated to the full in this case.

Never before has the attention of the Japanese public been so concentrated on commercial matters, the result of a series of company disasters occurring at a time of acute trade depression. Hitherto the attitude of the shareholder has been one of blind obedience, and he is now beginning to realize that he also is partly responsible for the situation, that he has in the past appointed the autocratic director and the useless auditor and adviser; and with his awakening we may anticipate an end to the corruption and mismanagement in public companies such as are revealed in the case of the Dai Nippon Seito Kaisha.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

Chinese papers in the North report that a foreigner has put a scheme before the Chinese Government for the establishment of a steamer service on the Yellow River. The scheme includes an undertaking to repair the embankments of the Yellow River from time to time.

The Koehien Transportation and Tow Boat Co. is understood to be sending some of its tugs and lighters to Hankow with a view to starting business there. The Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company's tug *Samson* has taken sixteen lighters to Hankow, having an aggregate tonnage of between 3,500, and 3,000, which constitutes a record for towage on the Yangtze.

The new N.Y.K. steamer *Kitano-maru*, just built at the Mitsui Bishi Yard, Nagasaki, developed a maximum speed of 17.266 knots and an average of 17.20 knots during an official trial trip. Compared with her sister-ship, the *Atsuta-maru*, the speed of the new steamer was 0.195 knots higher. The vessel is expected to arrive at Yokohama not later than the 7th May.

The Directors of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have published a denial of the rumour which has been circulating in the Japanese press that the Company suffered a heavy loss in the last half year, ending 31st March. The *Yiji*, in which this denial is published, gives currency in the same issue to a rumour that in consequence of the heavy loss sustained by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the Government authorities have suggested a combine of the N.Y.K. and T.K.K., and that in case the former consents to do so, the proposed amalgamation of the two steamship companies will be effected in the near future.

Mr. Asano, President of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, interviewed in Nagasaki, said that the *Tenyo-maru's* sister-ship will be completed in 1910. A cargo-boat of 1,900 tons, now in course of building at Nagasaki, will undergo a trial run next autumn. The number of the San Francisco liners of the Company will then be increased to six and that of the South American liners to four, these calling at Nagasaki in addition to Kobe and Yokohama.

The tonnage of Japanese steamers which have been lying idle since last winter once reached about 90,000, but has now decreased by about 50 per cent, namely to some 51,500, the number of vessels being 25. This is due to the restoration of coal transportation, and to the reopening of timber exportation from the Hokkaido and of the North China service.

The fourth general meeting of the Japanese Steamship Company is to be held at the end of May, when the business report for this term is to be submitted. It is said by Japanese papers that no dividend will be declared, as the business has not been favourable on account of the decrease of water in the Yangtze, coupled with the severe competition of the British, German, French and Chinese steamships.

The Standard Oil Company's full-rigged ship *King George*, reached Stapleton, U.S.A., on February 29th, 134 days out from Hongkong. Captain Tucker was ill with what was believed to be beri-beri, and he was removed to the Marine Hospital on Staten Island. One of the crew, it is stated, had complained of pains in his ankles before the ship left Hongkong and he died in the Indian Ocean. Others of the crew also suffered from the disease, but it was still an open question at the date of the latest reports whether the disease was beri-beri or a form of scurvy.

Japan papers by yesterday's mail mention with regard to the British steamer *Indra*, which recently went ashore on the island of Muslima, in the Indian Sea, that an examination of the bottom has revealed near the bow of the vessel a large gush nearly twenty feet in length, caused through the steamer grinding on the sharp rocks as she went ashore. Divers were busy at work patching up the broken plates, and the vessel will be thoroughly overhauled on her arrival at Kobe—Muslima the *Chronicle* says is a very small island without any inhabitants. A prominent juts out to the southward, and it was near the end of this that the *Indra* went ashore. So long as the fine weather lasts the vessel is in no danger.

A well-known skipper on the China coast has just retired from active service after thirty-four years service with the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company. We refer to Captain J. Warwick. In order to fittingly mark the esteem in which he is held by his sea-faring and shore friends, Captain Warwick just prior to his departure from Shanghai was entertained at the Masonic Club and presented with a magnificently-fitted suit case. Captain J. P. Lowe, who made the presentation, took advantage of the opportunity to wish their departing friend a pleasant journey home and many years of enjoyment and health amid the bracing air of Hartlepool. Captain Lowe also expressed the hope that Captain Warwick would find time in the future to visit his old friends again.

At meetings of the Association of Continental Underwriters which were to be held at Frankfurt-on-Main last month it was proposed to consider what steps can be taken "to endeavour to improve the existing deplorable" depression of marine underwriting. It has long been known that Continental markets, as London has, have suffered severely from the experience of recent years, so that the action of the association will surprise no one engaged in the business.

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1909. [666]

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1909. [1]

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## INTIMATIONS

## TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY).

APRIL 27TH.

AT 9.15 P.M.

## PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.

IN THE

CITY HALL.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1909. [654]

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THE UNDERSIGNED INVITE SUBSCRIPTIONS from past and present Pupils of CENTRAL SCHOOL and QUEEN'S COLLEGE towards a fund which, it is proposed, to raise to provide a Memorial to Dr. GEORGE H. BATESON WRIGHT, until recently HEADMASTER OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE and now retired.

The form the Memorial is to take will be determined by the amount of the subscriptions available for the purpose.

When a sufficiently large sum of money has been collected, a meeting of subscribers will be held at a time and place to be fixed by notice, for the purpose of discussing the subject and appointing a Committee.

In the meantime subscriptions will be received by the undersigned.

LAU CHU PAK, HO KONG TONG.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1909. [647]

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

CHARGEURS REUNIS

FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE French Steamship Company, CHARGEURS REUNIS, beg to inform the Public that their Steamers of the Round-the-World Line will henceforth suppress calling at Vancouver and Puget Sound Ports. They will proceed from Yokohama DIRECT TO SAN FRANCISCO without making any Port of call en route.

Shippers of Cargo to SAN FRANCISCO, MEXICO, and SOUTH AMERICA will no doubt appreciate this new facility afforded to them of a fast Cargo-Bent Service from China and Japan to above-mentioned destinations.

For full information, apply to

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1909. [626]

## A TACK &amp; CO.

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26, DES VEAUX ROAD, CENTRAL.

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Hongkong, 24th April, 1909. [37]

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FURNITURE AND PHOTO GOODS STORE.

Photographic Goods of every Description in Stock.

Developing and Printing Undertaken.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1907. [629]

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(Established 1895.)

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Just Received a Selection of

SEN'S ILLUSTRATED

POSTAGE STAMP ALBUMS

of Latest Edition, from \$1.75 to \$16 Each.

SUGAR CORN SEEDS.

Inspection Invited.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1906. [643]

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## PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 7th May, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of confirming the following Special Resolution, which was duly passed at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Society held on the 21st April, 1909:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Prints of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the Society's Offices, or obtained on application there.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1909. [640]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 7th May, 1909, at 12.45 p.m., for the purpose of confirming the following Special Resolution, which was duly passed at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Company held on the 21st April, 1909:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1909. [641]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE, No. 783, for Five Shares, \$50 paid up, numbered 7856 to 7860 standing in the register in the name of Mr. JAMES GRICE, having been declared LOST, Notice is hereby given that unless the said Certificate be produced to the Society on or before the 30th May, 1909, a NEW CERTIFICATE for the said shares will be issued, and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Society as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1909. [663]

## COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic Feet of Cold Storage available at Base Force. Stores will be open at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

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OFFICES on the 1st Floor Hotel Mansions lately occupied by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd.  
Apply to—  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.  
Hongkong, 24th March, 1909. [547]

## TO LET.

SHOP and DWELLING HOUSE, No. 78, Queen's Road, Central.  
Apply to—  
S. J. DAVID & Co.,  
Princes Buildings,  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [518]

## TO LET.

NOS. 2 & 3, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.  
No. 4, MOUNTAIN VIEW (PEAK), furnished from 1st June to 30th September, 1909.  
No. 5, MOUNTAIN VIEW, Peak.  
NEW FIVE ROOMED HOUSES in Shady Street.  
The FIVE, No. 13, Peak. Unfurnished from 1st June, 1909.  
FERNIDE No. 71, Peak. Unfurnished from 1st May, 1909.  
C.M.S. PEAK BUNGALOW, furnished, Mount Kellett, from 1st April to end of June, 1909.  
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Fine Shops, Offices and Dwelling Rooms.  
DWELLING ROOMS and OFFICES in Queen's Road Central.  
BELLILIOS TERRACE HOUSES, Robinson Road.  
FOR SALE.—TOR (RENT), at Peak, commanding a magnificent view of the Harbour and Adjacent Islands.  
Apply to—  
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1909. [100]

## TO LET.

13, ALBANY ROAD, HONGKONG. (Facing Public Gardens).  
From 1st May, 1909.  
at present occupied by Madame Marty.  
Apply to—  
M. STEPHENS,  
Solicitor, 18, Bank Buildings.  
[589]

## STORAGE.

FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 25 at NORTH POINT, Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.  
Also FOR SALE.  
Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRAYA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FT. 99 YEARS' LEASE.  
For Particulars, apply—  
GEO. FENNICK & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 6th June, 1906. [96]

## TO LET.

GODOWNS, Nos. 95, 96 and 97, PRAYA EAST.  
Apply to—  
CHATER & MODY,  
Victoria Buildings,  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1909. [264]

## TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 43, Yau-mat, Area 85,200 square feet and with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.  
Apply to—  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. [103]

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

"FUNG-SHUI," THE PEAK. To be Let Furnished for 8 months or longer.  
Apply to—  
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,  
Solicitors,  
8, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1909. [110]

## TO LET.

A HOUSE in Wong Nei Chong Road.  
A HOUSE in RYAN TERRACE.  
OFFICES TO LET, No. 2, Connaught Road, 3rd Floor.  
No. 3, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.  
No. 10, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st floor.  
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.  
GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Voeux Road next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.  
FLATS in MOBERTON TERRACE.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 20th April, 1909. [97]

## TO LET.

AT THE PEAK, HOUSE in STEWART TERRACE, Furnished or Unfurnished.  
Apply to—  
H. E. POLLOCK,  
18, Bank Building,  
Hongkong, 20th March, 1909. [494]

## TO LET.

NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (Shop). Opposite the Post Office.  
No. 1A, WYNDHAM STREET (suitable for Office and Godown).  
No. 2A, D'ARVILLE STREET (suitable for Office and Godown).  
All of which are at present occupied by Weismann Ltd. For Particulars, etc.  
Apply to—  
YEE SANG FAT & Co.,  
34, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 19th March, 1909. [489]

## TO LET.

ROOMS suitable for Offices in No. 10, Lee House Street, in rear of David Sassoon & Co.'s premises.  
Chamber with Bathroom and use of Kitchen in No. 31, Wyndham Street known as "College Chambers".  
Apply to—  
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [553]

## TO LET

## TO LET.

NO. 6, OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon. Five-Roomed House; Electric Lights and Tennis Court.  
GRANEE BUNGALOW, Kowloon. A Small Garden attached. Moderate Rental.  
Apply to—ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,  
14, Des Voeux Road,  
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909. [39]

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [98]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED or Unfurnished, or For Sale, DETACHED HOUSE with Tennis Court known as "ROCKVALE," Kimberley Road, Kowloon.  
Apply to—  
H. K. HOLMES,  
54, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 19th April, 1909. [630]

## TO LET.

UNFURNISHED—Nos. 8 and 10, WYNDHAM STREET, containing 6 Large Rooms each. Can be let together or separately.  
Apply to—  
Messrs. PERCY SMITH & SETH,  
No. 5, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1909. [213]

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48 Quarts	\$14.00
24 Quarts	7.00
48 Pints	11.50
100 Syllits	15.50

## CARLOWITZ &amp; CO.,

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A dose taken when ailments arise will quickly remove the cause of the trouble, and good health will be restored. They cleanse the system, tone up and regulate the digestive organs, and stimulate the Liver and Kidneys to healthy action. Always keep Beecham's Pills in the house, and as occasion requires take a dose and you will enjoy perennial good health.



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A French Remedy for all Indigestions. Thousands of Ladies take a box of Martin's Pills in the home, so that on the first signs of indigestion, or of the most delicate ailments, they can at once administer them. These pills are the most reliable, because they are pure and do not contain any harmful ingredients. MARTIN, Chemist, SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND.

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## MISSIONS TO SEAMEN INSTITUTE BUILDING FUND.

## LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The subscriptions received towards the New Seamen's Institute, the foundation stone of which H. E. the Governor will lay to-morrow are as follows:

Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	\$2,500.00
Butterfield & Swire	2,500.00
David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	2,500.00
E. D. Sassoon & Co.	2,500.00
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank	2,500.00
Standard Oil Co.	2,500.00
Chartered Bank	1,000.00
Siemens & Co.	500.00
Melchers & Co.	500.00
Carlowitz & Co.	500.00
Jensen & Co.	500.00
Arnold Karberg & Co.	500.00
Mercentile Bank	500.00
Canadian Pacific R.M.S. Line	500.00
Shewan Tomes & Co.	500.00
Norddeutscher Lloyd	250.00
Hamburg America Linie	250.00
J. Orange	250.00
Union Insurance Society of Canton	250.00
China Traders Insurance Co.	250.00
E. C. Blanchflower R.N. for the Seamen and Marines of the China Squadron	250.00
Admiral Sir Arthur W. Moore	200.00
Lieut. Sirven f R.M.S. Astron	100.00
Ship's Company	100.00
Marine Stale	100.00
The Rev. The Bishop of Victoria	100.00
I. Gibbs	50.00
J. V. Crowie, R.N. H.M.S. Bedford	51.00
Lieut. W. H. Darwell H.M.S. Hardy	20.00
Officers and Men H.M.S. Acet	117.00
A.H.M.	10.00
Officers and Warden Men H.M.S. King Alfred	65.75
Officers and Men H.M.S. Monmouth	76.15
Mr. Stokes	50.00
Rev. J. S. Ladd	10s. 6d.
Lady Maria Frodie	£1=
Mr. R. G. Hoare	£25=
Per Bishop of Victoria	£ s. d.
Miss C. Cottrell	1 0
Anonymous	10 0
G. R. Burners	5 5 0
Miss C. Austin	1 1 0
Miss Freere	15 0
Miss Mews	1 10
A. Friend per Rev. J.	9 13 0=
Per Bishop of Victoria	11.40
Per Rev. C. E. Thompson	300.00
Mr. D. R. Law's List	1,000.00
	626.00
	\$27,285.95

## The Statement of Accounts is as follows:—

## RECEIPTS.

To subscription as per list	\$27,285.95
To balance of monies collected by the late Bishop Moore, Rev. A. G. Goldsmith and Rev. J. H. France	11,586.30
To bank interest	113.40
	\$38,985.65
To balance in hand	\$544.40
	\$39,530.05
In addition to above there is the \$35,000.00 promised by Mr. H. N. Mody.	
	\$74,530.05
By Hongkong Land Investment Co. Ltd. —	
Purchase of land	\$37,800.00
Proportion of Crown	15.00
Rent	\$37,815.00
By Cheque Book	1.25
By Deacons & Bowler, Co.	75.00
By Yik Loong pulling down old building less allowance for old materials	550.00
By balance	544.40
	\$38,985.65

## EXPENDITURE.

By Deacons & Bowler, Co.	1.25
By Yik Loong pulling down old building less allowance for old materials	550.00
By balance	544.40
	\$38,985.65

## C. P. CHATER,

Hon. Treasurer.

## NEW MARRIAGE VOW.

## "ETHICAL" WEDDING IN A DRAWING-ROOM.

A form of marriage ceremony that is novel to Great Britain has been performed at South Croxson, where Miss Gertrude Cullen Peters was married in her mother's drawing-room at Kenwyn to Mr. Charles F. Cooper, according to the principles of ethical religion.

The bridegroom, who has been associated with the ethical movement and was formerly Secretary of the Moral Instruction League, objected to being married in a church. The bride's mother, considered the civil ceremony before the registrar very odd and useless, and so a compromise was decided upon, the civil contract at the registry office in the morning being followed by the ethical marriage service at the bride's own home on Saturday afternoon last.

Kenwyn is a large mansion, standing in its own grounds, and the wedding guests numbered nearly a hundred. The overflow of guests found room in the conservatory adjoining the drawing-room, where they could hear the service.

A solemn silence fell upon the gathering, and not even a whisper could be heard when, at four o'clock on Saturday, the bride entered the drawing-room and took her seat by the bridegroom's side on a brocade-covered settee in the centre of the room. Facing them was Dr. Stanton Coit, leader of the ethical movement in England, who conducted the marriage service.

The bride, who is a strikingly handsome girl with dark eyes and rich brown hair, wore a beautiful wedding robe of shimmering silk veiled with billow clouds of chiffon and Brussels lace. She wore no veil, but had a spray of the orange-blossom of orthodoxy and carried a bridal bouquet of white blooms.

## CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

## THE PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL CHARTER.

An Extraordinary General Meeting was held in London last month, following the annual ordinary meeting of shareholders at M. C. TURNER again presiding.

Mr. CALEB LEWIS having read the notice calling the meeting, The CHAIRMAN said:—"The resolution I have the honour to propose is:—That the court of directors be authorized to apply for and accept a renewal of the bank's charter with certain amendments, alterations, and additions enlarging the powers of the company in the conduct of its banking business in accordance with the terms of the draft supplemental charter which will be submitted to the meeting subject to such modifications thereof in detail, if any, as the court of directors may approve." I would first of all say that I am specially desired by the court of directors to express their obligations to Sir George Murray, the Permanent Secretary of the Treasury, for the careful and courteous consideration which he has given to their application, and the great assistance he has afforded them in the preparation of the new charter. I am bound to say that our experience of the Treasury Office in connection with this business has been most gratifying. They have dealt with us in a thoroughly business-like manner showing that it is the desire at any rate of that part of the Government to forward commercial interests as much as possible. I would also express my cordial thanks to Mr. Addison, of Messrs. Linklater and Co., the available bank's legal advisers, for the assistance he has rendered to us in this matter. I put it in a personal form because, being the chairman, I happen to know, perhaps more than my colleagues, how much time, attention, and energy Mr. Addison has devoted to this subject, and he fully deserves the thanks of the shareholders for all that he has done and for the successful issue he has brought the negotiations to.

The draft of the charter has, as you are aware from the notice given for inspection at the company's office, and it is now on the table for inspection by any shareholder who desires to inspect it. As its terms are somewhat formal, it will probably be more convenient to you that, instead of the paragraphs being read, I should state to you what their effect will be. I think the first point which I regard as most important, and certainly most gratifying, to all of you is that the charter, instead of being granted for the usual period of ten years, will now be for 50 years. I consider that most of us have authority, with the assent of the shareholders, to increase the capital of the bank to any extent which the shareholders may approve. The restriction before was that the capital of the bank could not be more than two millions sterling. Well, we do not anticipate any such forward movement at present. We are only looking forward to the future—say, 50 years hence. We do not know what may arise, and we must provide for the future; but, of course, any alteration is to be made subject to the approval of the shareholders. These clauses enable the company to hold lands, houses without restriction as to value, or annual value, with power to let and manage such portions as for the time being may not be required for their own occupation. We hope to let three floors in our new building on very advantageous terms, making a considerable reduction to our rent, and we have power under that clause to do so. Clause 8 removes doubts as to the business which the company may transact under its charter. It is technical really, and authorizes us to take part in the issue of loans, stocks, and shares issued by Governments or companies eastward of the Cape of Good Hope—for instance, the Port Commissioners' Loan, the Port of Calcutta, and other parts of India. We have power to participate in the issue of such loans, &c., and to conduct the service of such loans issues. Also to conduct for customers or past customers the investment of money and the realization of securities, and lastly, to keep certain classes of banking accounts at its head office in London.

Some of our friends who come here find it very convenient to keep their private accounts with us. Their investments are mainly in India. We attend to them and collect the interest, and we deal with them, selling them or buying them as they may think fit, and so this clause gives us power to have these private banking accounts at our head office. That is for the convenience of our friends in the East. Clause 9 removes a doubt which existed in the original charter whether the bank could take security for future debts. We had power to take security for existing debts—past debts, if I may say so, but not future debts. The old charter was 50 years old, and the wording was not in accordance with modern practice. By Clause 10 the restriction in the charter limiting the engagements of the company to the public upon bonds or bills of exchange, or promissory notes drawn, accepted, or made by the company to three times the amount of the capital subscribed and paid up has been expunged, and such engagements may, under the proposed charter, be made without limit as to amount. That is only to meet the extension of our present business. By Clause 11 the company is expressly authorized to give pensions, donations to funds, &c. As you are aware, we have a pension fund, which has been in existence for some time, and we have acted in accordance with the ideas of the shareholders in the matter, but now this clause legalizes the position. By Clause 12 the provision of the original charter enabling two directors to object to credit or advances being made in excess of the new premises of the bank is removed. This is an old clause we never heard of until it was dug out of the original charter, and any two men might obstruct the business of the bank by it. We have had that removed. I now move the resolution which I have read, and I will ask Mr. Wallace to second it.

Mr. LEWIS ALEXANDER WALLACE seconded the motion.

The CHAIRMAN before putting it, read it again, and said:—"We have heard, put in that last clause because the charter has been approved by the Treasury, by the directors, and now by your good selves, but there may be verbal modifications. He then put the resolution to the meeting in the usual manner, and having declared it carried unanimously, said:—"Gentlemen, we shall have the confirmatory meeting on April 21. It will be merely a formal meeting, and I think that, as we are not likely to have a large attendance, we shall hold it at the new premises of the bank. Notice will probably be more convenient to you. Notice will, of course, be sent to you of the meeting, but I tell you now for your convenience that the confirmatory meeting will be held on April 21 at the new premises in Bishopsgate-street. We shall ask some of you to come and make a quorum on the occasion, but the meeting will only take a few minutes. I now declare the business of this meeting at an end."

How TO BE BEAUTIFUL.—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Crime Charmanate, Last Charmanate and Special Skin Tonic and Poudre Charmanate will enable you to do it. For Specialties for the Skin are the study of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. Sole Agents.

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## 44 YEARS AT THE COLONIAL OFFICE.

## A CHIEF CLERK'S REMINISCENCES OF THE SIXTIES.

To the current number of the Nineteenth Century Sir William A. Baillie Hamilton contributes a suggestive article on the Colonial Office. After forty-four years' work under successive Colonial Secretaries, Sir William recently retired from the position of chief clerk.

He traces in a very interesting way how the Department, once regarded almost contemptuously by politicians, has risen in importance and status till it is now second only to the Foreign Office.

"When I entered the Colonial Office in 1864," he says, "ocean telegraphy was still in its infancy. The only existing cable was to North America, and South and West Africa, the Eastern Colonies, Australia, and the West Indies were only accessible by mail.

The result was that even in the case of a despatch of the utmost importance, addressed, say to Hongkong or Australia, the question at issue, so far as an answer to that particular despatch was concerned, might be put comfortably to sleep for the best part of four months. At the time, the Colonial Office was a place where endless work was then of rare occurrence. No one, with the exception of a few specialists—mostly self-constituted—knew or cared much about Colonial affairs.

In these circumstances, the officials were easy-going. Sir William tells of one talented head of an important department who was allowed to live away from London for reasons of health, and do his work at home. Another official, who held a highly paid appointment, never appeared at the office in the daytime, but occasionally visited his room in the evening.

"Every one including junior clerks, had two months' holiday in the year, and as much else as he could get. My special bureau was 'quite satisfied,' says Sir William, 'and if we appeared punctually at 12 and remained till 5.30, at which hour, without fail he would be tucked away carefully into his brougham and driven home to West Kensington.' This is not all. Present clerks will read curiously of how Sir William and other clerks turned up rooms at 11. Downing-street, which house was added to the department, into five courts.

"One afternoon they were caught at this recreation. We expected to get a tremendous wiggling, but I am bound to say they (the higher authorities) behaved in the most gentlemanlike manner. We were merely told we must 'go and play somewhere else.' Dart-throwing was another recreation in an office which Sir William had pictured to himself in imagination as a 'dignified abode of mystery, excitement, and high politics.' The keynote of the general feeling at the time about the Colonies was summed up by Leech in this sketch of two dandy M.P.'s meeting in Rotten Row:—

First M.P.: Pwogogation to be late this year on account of some Colonial Bills, I hear. Second M.P.: Better the Colonial House? I have done enough for 'em this year? Didn't West Australian win the Derby?

A NEW ERA. From the inception in 1867 of the negotiations leading up to the establishment of the Dominion of Canada, the writer dates a change. "The stagnant waters of the Colonial Office began to be stirred by an occasional breath of life; and the advent in 1871 of Sir Robert (then Mr.) Herbert, a Prussian by origin, a Secretary may, I think, be regarded as the beginning of a new era. By this time telegraphic communication had been established with the Eastern Colonies, Australia, and the West Indies, though the link-up of South Africa was still some years distant. Things began to move in connection with the self-governing Colonies."

Here Sir William pauses to allude to the ignorance which still prevails as to the difference between Crown and self-governing Colonies. It is a common thing, he says, for candidates for Crown Colony appointments to state when filling up form of application that they would prefer to go to Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and sometimes India! "And only the other day I was talking to a highly respectable member of the House of Lords who had never heard of Northern or Southern Nigeria, and whose ideas of our West African possessions were limited to 'some place called the Gold Coast.'"

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "DEFFLINGER," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst., will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 9.30 A.M. All Claims must reach us before the 2nd May, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 21st April, 1909. [5]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "SOMALI," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours. Goods not cleared by the 30th April, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 24th April, 1909. [1]

## MITSU BISHI GOSHI KAISHA.

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## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
 ASCANIA, German str., 1,252, A. Claassen, 26th April—Chittagong.  
 HAMBURG, British str., 2,272, W. G. McArthur, 26th April—Kobe 21st April, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
 ERNEST SIMONS, French str., 2,890, R. Girard, 26th April—Shanghai 23rd April, General—Messageries Maritimes.  
 FUKUKA MARU, Jap. str., 1,346, S. Kamae, 26th April—Mojito 21st April, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Kaisha.  
 HONG WAN, British str., 1,260, G. Kinghorn, 26th April—Rangoon 18th and Singapore 20th April, General—Chittagong.  
 INVERLY, British str., 3,113, R. J. Hawie, 26th April—Seattle via ports 10th March, General—Dodwell & Co.  
 KANAGAWA MARU, Japanese str., 3,825, J. Nippon Yusen Kaisha, 26th April—Shanghai 23rd April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.  
 LIFAN, British str., 2,500, C. C. Williams, 25th April—Shanghai 22nd April, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 LOONGHANG, British str., 1,093, S. J. Payne, 26th April—Munila 1st April, General—Hamp and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, G. S. Weigall, 26th April—Sundank 20th April, Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 OCEANIAN, French str., 2,536, H. Seller, 26th April—Marseilles 25th March, General—Messageries Maritimes.  
 OPAK, British str., 2,517, R. J. Woodget, 25th April—Singapore 20th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 RUBY, British str., 1,356, R. W. Almond, 26th April—Manila 24th April, General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.  
 SOKHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,119, T. Sugi, 26th April—Anping 23rd April, Amoy 24th and Swatow 25th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.  
 TAIYUAN, British str., 2,368, L. Dawson, 25th April—Melbourne Australia 27th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
 26th April.  
 ASCANIA, German str., for Canton.  
 CHONGCHING, British str., for Canton.  
 DUNLOP, British str., for Swatow.  
 J. Diederichsen, Ger. str., for Hoihow.  
 Knight Errant, British str., for Kobe.  
 Linan, British str., for Canton.  
 Nicomedie, German str., for Singapore.  
 Onang, British str., for Hongkong.  
 Oupack, British str., for Shanghai.  
 Scottish Monarch, Br. str., for Shanghai.  
 Taitan, British str., for Chetoo.

## DEPARTURES.

26th April.  
 CHUYEN, Chinese str., for Canton.  
 GERMANIA, German str., for Canton.  
 LIANGCHOW, British str., for Canton.  
 OCEANIAN, French str., for Shanghai.  
 TUNGSHING, British str., for Canton.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Inverly reports: Very bad weather experienced crossing Pacific.  
 The British str. Loonghang reports: Light variable winds, slight sea fine weather foggy outside Hongkong.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 26th.

ABERDEEN DOCK.—  
 KANTON DOCK.—Tatic, Empress of China, Y. Sontka, Nanning.  
 COSMOTOLITAN DOCK.—

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.  
 STEAM FOR  
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 Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.  
 (Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZIL to PERMAN GUER, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC Ports).  
 THE Company's Steamship  
 "AUSTRIA".  
 Captain Cobol, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 28th April.  
 This Steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor and stewardess.  
 For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to  
 SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
 Agents,  
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 Hongkong, 27th April, 1909. [3]

HONGKONG—BOSTON & NEW YORK.  
 AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.  
 For BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA  
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 (With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)  
 SS "INDRAMAYO" ... On 30th April.  
 For Freight and further information apply to  
 SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,  
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 (Hongkong, 12th April, 1909. [496])

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
 (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).  
 PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
 FOR NEW YORK.  
 S.S. "SATSUMA" ... About 20th May.  
 For Freight and further information, apply to  
 DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,  
 Agents,  
 Hongkong, 4th April, 1909. [1712]

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k.", nearest Hongkong "h." midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m.", and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	DEPART	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.	2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.	3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.	4 From Naval Yard to East Point.			
LONDON &c. via SUEZ PORTS OF CALL.	ASSAYS	Brit. str.	—	Owen Jones, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st May, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE &c.	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	E. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th May.
ANTWERP & HAMBURG via STRAITS &c.	LIBERIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Kneisel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About Middle of May.
ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG &c.	BELGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About Beg. of June.
SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON & ANTWERP &c.	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	G. E. Warner, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th May.
HAVER, BREMEN & HAMBURG &c.	SILESIA	Ger. str.	—	V. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May.
HAVER & HAMBURG via STRAITS &c.	SCANDIA	Fr. str.	k.w.	V. Dohren	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 2nd June.
MARSEILLES &c. via PORTS OF CALL.	ERNEST SIMONS	Jap. str.	—	Girard	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	Today, at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE &c.	KANAGAWA MARU	Ger. str.	k.w.	J. Nagao	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG &c.	BREDAVIA	Jap. str.	—	Schwinghammer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd May.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE &c.	HAKATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Mural	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th May, at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN &c.	PEKING	Swed. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	MELCHERS & Co.	On 17th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP &c.	MIYASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Cobol	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 5th May.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE &c. via JAPAN PORTS &c.	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Formes	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 29th inst.
TRIESTE &c. via SINGAPORE &c.	AUSTRIA	Ger. str.	—	Y. Dohren	MELCHERS & Co., Ltd.	On 5th May, at Noon.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR &c.	BUELOW	Brit. str.	—	Y. Dohren	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 20th May.
NEW YORK	SATSUMA	Brit. str.	—	Y. Dohren	SHAWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 30th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	Y. Dohren	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 1st May, at 6 P.M.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	T. Shotton	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 11th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via JAPAN &c.	AMERICA	Brit. str.	1 m.	K. Sato	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 24th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI &c.	AMERICA	Brit. str.	—	Frederic Payne	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via PORT DARWIN &c.	AYMER MARU	Jap. str.	—	McArthur	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	T. Sotone	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th May, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	E. Gathemann	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th May, at 10 A.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	MANILA	Ger. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th June, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Geo. Anderson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th May, at D'light.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th May, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Dut. str.	—	Zwart	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	Quick despatch.
JAPAN	THIBODA	Brit. str.	—	V. McClymont-Liddell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st May, at Noon.
TIENSTIN	CHONGCHING	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Forsyth	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st May, at 4 P.M.
TIENSTIN	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Y. Dohren	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, P.M.
SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BUJUN MARU	Jap. str.	—	Richards	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	MOYORI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Frazier	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	CANTON	Dut. str.	1 m.	T. Arthur	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 29th inst, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA & KOBE	YINGCHOW	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	F. & O. S. N. Co.	On 30th inst, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	FOOSHING	Brit. str.	—	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd May, at D'light.
SHANGHAI via NINGPO	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	S. H. Belsen	DAVID RASSOON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th May, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	E. Malow	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 6th May.
SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	ANHUI	Brit. str.	—	A. P. Vine, R.N.R.	MELCHERS & Co.	On 9th May, at D'light.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	1 m.	Broe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th May, P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHIN HUA	Ger. str.	1 m.	Broe	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 10th May.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Brit. str.	—	Broe	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	POLYNESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Broe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Broe	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIN	On 29th inst, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KUTANG	Dut. str.	—	de Brouwer	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 2nd May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	TIEMAH	Jap. str.	—	K. Sugi	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day, at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	Y. Kaburaki	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	To-morrow, at 1 P.M.
ANPING via SWATOW, AMOY & TAKAO	DAIJIN MARU	Brit. str.	2 h.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	On 28th inst, at 1 P.M.
TAMUL via SWATOW & AMOY	HAITANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & Co.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	HAIMAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst, at Noon.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	HAICHING	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Somerville	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 1st May, at Noon.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	SINGAO	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th May, at 3 P.M.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	A. W. Outerbridge	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 7th May, at 4 P.M.
MANILA via AMOY	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	On 8th May, at Noon.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th May, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	TEAN	Brit. str.	—	Mathias	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of May.
MANILA	YUENANG	Brit. str.	—	F. Semblil	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 4th May.
CERU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Ger. str.	—	R. Smith	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at Noon.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Jap. str.	—	E. J. Bull	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 30th inst, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	YOKOHAMA MARU	Brit. str.	—	Pander	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIN	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	FOOKANG	Brit. str.	—			
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUMANG	Brit. str.	—			
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG &c.	TIPIANAS	Dut. str.	—			

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 Hongkong, 3rd April, 1909. [8]

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
KUPAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Symbill	Beginning of May.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"BUELOW" Capt. H. FORMER	Wed. day, 5th May, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PRINZEITEL FRIEDRICH" Capt. E. MALCROW	About Thursday, 6th May.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"MANILA" Capt. E. GATHEMANN	Friday, 21st May, at 10 A.M.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,**  
**MELCHERS & Co.,**  
 GENERAL AGENTS HONGKONG & CHINA.  
 Hongkong, 24th April, 1909. [5]

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"EMPERESS OF INDIA" SAT., 22nd May.	"ALLAN LINER" FRIDAY, 9th July.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, via PORTS	"ERNEST SIMONS" Capt. Girard	On 27th April, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"POLYNESIE" Capt. Eric	On 10th May, P.M.
MARSEILLES via PORTS	"TONKIN" Capt. Charbonnel	On 11th May, 1 P.M.

Transshipping on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea. Through Tickets to London, via Paris, from £27 10s. up to £71 10s. 20 hours Railway from Marseilles to London. Interpreters meet Passengers on their arrival in Marseilles.  
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 Hongkong, 20th April, 1909.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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## THE Steamship "EASTERN."

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 This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.  
 The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.  
 A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.  
 Y.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
 Agents,  
 Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909. [566]

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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 Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the B.M.S. "Egyr" due in London on the 11th June, 1909.  
 Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.  
 For further particulars, apply to  
 E. A. HEWETT,  
 Superintendent.  
 Hongkong, 19th April, 1909. [1]

## FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

## THE Steamship "GREGORY APCAR."

Captain S. H. Nelson, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 3rd May, at Noon.  
 This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, and is installed throughout with Electric Light, and carries a duly certified Doctor.  
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 Hongkong, 24th April, 1909. [655]

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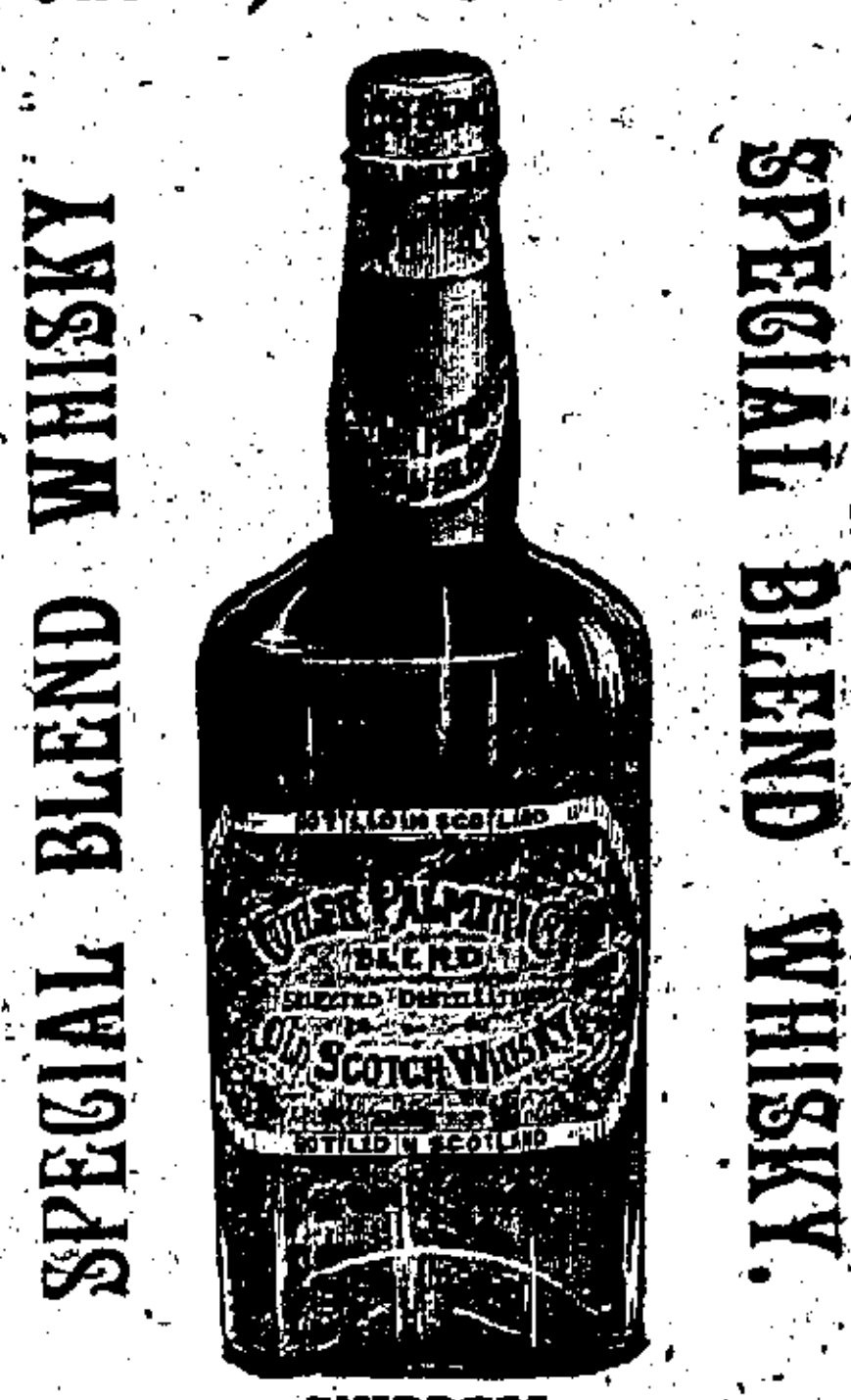
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Hongkong, 27th April, 1909.

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SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 2nd May, 5 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 4th May, 3 P.M.
TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 6th May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 6th May, 4 P.M.
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FOR

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SHANGHAI "FOOSHING" Thursday, 29th April, 4 P.M.

SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "KUMSANG" Friday, 30th April, Noon.

SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO "KWONGSANG" Friday, 30th April, Noon.

TIENSIN "CHEONGSHING" Saturday, 1st May, Noon.

MANILA "FUENSANG" Friday, 1st May, 4 P.M.

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ANPING VIA SWATOW "SOSHU MARU" THURSDAY, 29th April, at 10 A.M.

AMOI & TAKAO "DAIJUN MARU" SUNDAY, 2nd May, at 10 A.M.

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Hongkong, 26th April, 1909.

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STEAMERS

DATE OF SAILING.

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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE "NIPPON" ... Middle of May.

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BUJUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,304, Y. Fuso, 24th April—Swatow 23rd April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

CHONGSHING, British str., 1,255, V. M. Liddell, 23rd April—Tientsin 15th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1,177, C. Stewart, 25th April—Shanghai 21st April, General—C. M. S. N. Co.

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EMPRESS OF CHINA, British str., 3,046, R. Archibald, 16th April—Vancouver, B.C. 25th March, Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.

FOOCHOW, British str., 1,228, Vincent, 21st April—Wuhu 15th April, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

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